

2021 Vaccines for Children Eligibility Guide

Indiana State Department of Health- Immunization Division



VFC ELIGIBILITY AND INSURANCE



Indiana Department of Health

**Patients must be screened for VFC eligibility at each visit*

Eligibility for Publicly-Funded Vaccines Reference Guide for:

Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers, Adults Vaccine Program (AVP) providers, and Electronic Medical Record contacts

Patient Status (<19 years old)	Eligible for Public Vaccine	IIS Eligibility Category Selection	IIS Eligibility Code & Description	IIS Funding Source and Description	Billing
American Indian/ Alaskan Native <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child is less than 19 years old As defined by the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1603-13) 	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible	American Indian/ Alaskan Native	V04 VFC eligible- American Indian/ Alaskan Native	VXC1- Publicly funded vaccine stock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per vaccine dose May issue only a single bill within 90 days Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fee
Uninsured <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child is less than 19 years old Does not have health insurance Enrolled in a Health Care Sharing Ministry (i.e. MediShare, Liberty Healthshare, HealthShare Altura, Christian Healthcare Ministries, Solidarity Healthshare) 	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible	Uninsured	V03 VFC eligible - uninsured	VXC1- Publicly funded vaccine stock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per vaccine dose May issue only a single bill within 90 days Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fee
Underinsured Child <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child is less than 19 years old Has insurance that does not cover vaccine Served at a Federally Qualified Health Center/ Rural Health Center (FQHC/RHC) or deputized Local Health Department (LHD) 	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible	Uninsured	V03 VFC eligible - uninsured	VXC1- Publicly funded vaccine stock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per vaccine dose May issue only a single bill within 90 days Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fee
Other <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child is less than 19 years old Has insurance that does not cover vaccine Served at any non-FHQC or LHD VFC provider location 	Yes State (Non-VFC) vaccine eligible	Underinsured	V05 VFC eligible- Underinsured	VXC1- Publicly funded vaccine stock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per vaccine dose May issue only a single bill within 90 days Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fee

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<p>Indiana Family Services (FSSA) offers a number of different programs and services under the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP). Each IHCP member is issued a number referred to as the Member ID assigned by FSSA Division of Family Resources (DFR). They type of card received depends on the IHCP program in which the member is enrolled. Providers are required to verify member eligibility on the date of service via the Provider Healthcare portal. Providers that fail to verify eligibility are at risk of claims being denied due to membership ineligibility or coverage limitations.</p>		<p>Viewing a member ID card alone does not ensure member eligibility.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hoosier Health Cards are issued by FSSA DFR. • Hoosier Care Connect members receive member ID cards from their individual Managed Care Entities (MCEs): Anthem or MHS • Hoosier Healthwise members receive member ID cards from their individual MCEs: Anthem, CareSource, MHS, and MDwise. • Package A (Medicaid) and C (CHIP) are not listed on the card and can only be determined via the Provider Healthcare Portal. 			
Patient Status (<19 years old)	Eligible for Public Vaccine	IIS Eligibility Category Selection	IIS Eligibility Code & Description	IIS Funding Source and Description	Billing
<p>Medicaid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child is less than 19 years old • Enrolled in Traditional Medicaid • Enrolled in Hoosier CareConnect (Full Medicaid of Package A) • Enrolled in Hoosier Healthwise Package A • Package A is not listed on the card and can only be determined via the Provider Healthcare Portal. 	<p>Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible</p>	<p>Medicaid</p>	<p>V02 VFC eligible – Medicaid</p>	<p>VXC1- Publicly funded vaccine stock</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine • Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per vaccine dose • May issue only a single bill within 90 days • Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fee
<p>CHIP (as January 1, 2020)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child is less than 19 years old • Enrolled in Hoosier Healthwise Package C—Children Health Insurance Program (CHIP) • Package C is not listed on the card and can only be determined via the Provider Healthcare Portal. 	<p>Yes State (non-VFC) vaccine eligible</p>	<p>CHIP</p>	<p>V22 State Vaccine eligible –CHIP</p>	<p>VXC1- Publicly funded vaccine stock</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine • Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per vaccine dose • May issue only a single bill within 90 days • Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fee
<p>Private Insurance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child is less than 19 years old • Enrolled in private insurance plan 	<p>No</p>	<p>Ineligible for VFC/ Private Insurance</p>	<p>V01 Ineligible for VFC/ Private Insurance</p>	<p>PHC70</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill according to plan guidelines

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Other considerations for patients that are **under 19 years old:**

Child's Insurance Status	VFC Eligible?	VFC Eligibility Category
Has private health insurance plan with Medicaid as secondary insurance	Yes	Medicaid
Has health insurance covering all vaccines, but has not yet met plan's deductible or paid for other services received at visit and has Medicaid as secondary insurance	Yes	Medicaid
Has private health insurance that covers all vaccinations and is American Indian/ Alaskan Native (AI/AN)	Yes	AI/AN. However, provider should choose the eligibility category most cost-effective for the child and the family.
Has Medicaid and is American Indian/ Alaskan Native (AI/AN)	Yes	Medicaid or AI/AN. Provider should use Medicaid for the administration fee, because this provides the least out-of-pocket expense for the family
Has insurance plan that does not cover all ACIP recommended vaccines	Yes	Underinsured. Child can only receive vaccines not covered by insurance plan.
Has health insurance covering all vaccines, but has not yet met the plans deductible or paid for other services received at visit	No	Insured. This applies even when the primary insurer would deny reimbursement for the cost of the vaccine and its administration fee because the plan's deductible has not been met.
Has health insurance covering all vaccines, but the plan has a fixed dollar limit or cap on amount it will cover	Depends	No– Insured until the fixed dollar limit is met Yes– Underinsured after the fixed dollar limit is reached.